

**CBFO/WTS Environmental Policy Statement**  
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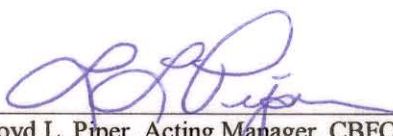
## **WIPP Environmental Policy Statement**

The Carlsbad Field Office (CBFO) of the Department of Energy (DOE) and Washington TRU Solutions LLC (WTS), consider the protection of workers, the public, and the environment to be the highest priority of all our activities at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP). We are committed to achieving and maintaining high standards of environmental quality and to providing a safe and healthful workplace for our employees and communities while disposing of transuranic waste in an environmentally sound and cost-efficient manner.

Identifying and complying with applicable requirements through the implementation of an integrated safety management system (ISMS) is vital to WIPP's success. The WIPP ISMS includes an **environmental management system (EMS)** that meets the requirements of DOE Order 450.1, *Environmental Protection Program*, and the principles of the International Organization for Standardization, ISO 14001, *Environmental Management Systems—Specification with Guidance for Use* (ISO, 1996). The WIPP EMS strengthens **compliance** with laws and applicable requirements, **pollution prevention (P2)** initiatives **continual improvement** and **environmental accountability** in the decision-making process. The WIPP EMS provides a formal, organized process whereby CBFO and WTS plan, perform, assess, and improve WIPP's environmental performance. We will continue to identify goals and performance measures in order to continually improve our performance. We will use oversight and self-assessments to ensure implementation of the EMS.

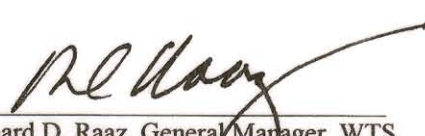
- Our **environmental requirements** and goals will be identified and, when appropriate, incorporated into contracts to ensure protection. We will comply with environmental requirements applicable to the operation of WIPP through the implementation of programs, plans, practices, and procedures.
- We will seek to achieve **pollution prevention** through safe, responsible, and cost-effective methods. We will use environmentally preferable products in our processes and services when feasible. We will strive to diminish our consumption of natural resources through reuse of materials, use of recycled materials, and conservation of energy and water. We will work to reduce our emissions and effluents by employing operational controls, by diligently monitoring operational indicators to determine when corrective actions are needed, and by implementing corrective and preventive actions whenever necessary.
- We will be an **environmentally responsible neighbor** in our communities by working with stakeholders to address mutual environmental concerns related to WIPP operations and acting to correct incidents or conditions that endanger health, safety, or the environment. We will seek out public input and respond to stakeholder views when making decisions. We will minimize harm to endangered species, habitats, ecologically sensitive areas, and cultural resources.

We will communicate this policy to others who work in the WIPP program to ensure their actions are conducted in a manner consistent with this policy.

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